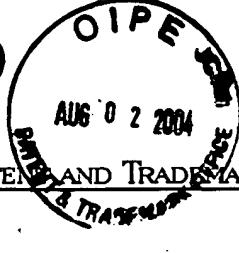


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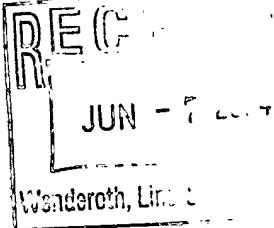
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*Filing Date Granted***Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - More than one figure is present and each figure is not labeled "Fig." with a consecutive Arabic numeral (1, 2, etc.) or an Arabic numeral and capital letter in the English alphabet (A, B, etc.)(see 37 CFR 1.84(u)(1)). See Figure(s) 4A,4B.

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Attached hereto is a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover Patent Office fees relating to filing the following attached papers:

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A duplicate copy of this paper is being submitted for use in the Accounting Division, Office of Finance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 4, 2004, submitted herewith are the required Declaration and Power of Attorney and replacement drawings (Figs. 2A-2E, 4A, 4B, 5A-5C, 6A-6C, and 7A-7D) in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.84.

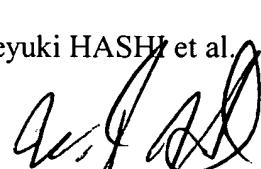
Also enclosed are the PTO surcharge of \$130.00, required by 37 CFR 1.16(e), and a copy of the Notice.

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are revised new A4P formal drawings, including new Figs 2A-2E, 4A, 4B, 5A-5C, 6A-6C, and 7A-7D. The new drawings have been prepared to address the requirements set forth in the Notice to File Missing Parts, dated June 4, 2004.

Kindly substitute the attached formal drawings for that of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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